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add (ad), *v.t.* 1. to unite or join so as to increase the number, quantity, size, or importance: *to add another stone to the pile.* 2. to find the sum of (often fol. by *up*): *adding the grocery bill up.* 3. to say or write further. 4. to include (usually fol. by *in*).—*v.i.* 5. to perform the arithmetic operation of addition: *children learning to add and subtract.* 6. add to, to be or serve as an addition: *His illness added to the family's troubles.* 7. add up, a. to make the desired or expected total: *These figures don't add up right.* b. to seem reasonable or consistent; be in harmony or accord: *There were aspects of the story that didn't add up.* 8. add up to, to signify; indicate: *The evidence adds up to a case of murder.* — *n.* Journalism. 9. copy added to a completed story. [*<L add(ere), equiv. to ad- AD-+-dere to put (see DO1)*]
—add'a.ble, add'i.ble, *adj.* — add'ed.ly, *adv.*
— Syn. 1. affix, append, attach, adjoin. 2. total, sum.

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